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Dr. Pongrac is a biologist interested in mineral nutrition of plants because plant-based produce is directly or indirectly connected with human nutrition. She finished her PhD at the University of Ljubljana in 2009. Being funded from the Slovenian Research Agency, Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions she continues her research to resolve basic questions of element uptake, accumulation and localisation in different plant species to help design environmentally friendly and cost-effective strategies for improved diets.